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REMARKS

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1. Between 5 and 22 April 1954, there was individual and formation flying at Finsterwalde airfield while, between 23 and 29 April, no ground attack aircraft were seen aloft. On the morning of 22 April, 10 to 12 Il-10s took off and departed. About 7 p.m. that day, ground attack aircraft were seen aloft part of which landed at the field while the remainder headed towards the west. About 7 a.m. on 26 April, 2 MiG-15s took off and departed to the south. The MiG-15s were the first swept-back jet fighters to be observed at the field. About 5:15 p.m., 2 swept-back jet fighters landed. On 27, 28 and 29 April, MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s made local flights.

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3. On the morning of 28 April, swept-back jet fighters made individual local flights. No Il-10s were observed at the field.

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Comment. During the reported period, apparently part of the ground attack regiment stationed at Finsterwalde was not present at the field. The location of the aircraft at that time was not determined. To which unit the MiG-15s belonged is also unknown. The motor vehicle were previously observed at Finsterwalde.

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